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NAIROBI FOR RCO; DEPT FOR A/OC/AF; PRETORIA FOR CEO-E & RSO

REF: A) LUANDA 0608; B) STATE 119312

1. FOLLOWING IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE POST'S EMERGENCY
POWER CAPABILITY FOR THE C&R UNIT.

2. WE HAVE RELOCATED OUR TWO 2.5 KW GENERATORS TO THE OUTER
BALCONY LEDGE ADJACENT TO THE C&R WALL. THE ONAN MODEL 10CCKB, A
120/208 VOLT, THREE-PHASE UNIT, IS WIRED TO PROVIDE 208 VOLT POWER
TO THE INCINERATOR, AND HAS A CUT-OFF SWITCH WHICH CAN BE USED TO
CHANNEL ITS OUTPUT TO THE C&R VAULT AND OUTER OFFICE. THIS UNIT
IS PRESENTLY INOPERATIVE AND WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO HAVE IT
REPAIRED. THE KATOLIGHT MODEL HAB4ER IS A 110 VOLT UNIT WIRED
ONLY TO PROVIDE POWER TO THE C&R VAULT AND OUTER OFFICE.
WE HAVE MOUNTED SPECIAL WALL PLUGS AT FOUR LOCATIONS: TWO IN THE
VAULT FOR THE HW-28'S AND LIGHTS, AND TWO IN THE OUTER OFFICE
FOR THE HF AND VHF RADIOS AND LIGHTS.

3. IN THE EVENT THAT WE ARE FORCED TO USE EMERGENCY POWER,
WE WILL HAVE TO USE DESK LIGHT FOR LIGHTING. THE CIRCUIT
TERMINAL EQUIPMENT IS NOT ON EMERGENCY POWER AT THIS TIME, AND
WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO DEVISE SOME TYPE OF WIRING THAT WILL ALLOW
US TO MAINTAIN THE CIRCUIT DURING AN OUTAGE. (THE LOCAL PTT
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(MARCONI) CAN PROVIDE THEMSELVES WITH EMERGENCY POWER FOR A

PROLONGED PERIOD OF TIME.) OUR USE OF EQUIPMENT DURING POWER FAILURE WILL HAVE TO BE STAGGERED TO AVOID OVERLOADING. OUR PRIMARY CONCERN IS TO HAVE POWER TO OPERATE BOTH THE VHF AND HF RADIO NETS.

4. PER REF B, WE HAVE CONTACTED THE LOCAL GENERATOR DISTRIBUTOR AND THEY ARE HOLDING FOR US A 42 KWA DIESEL GENERATOR (LISTER MODEL HR6) WHICH THEY HAVE IN STOCK. AS SOON AS THE DEPT IS ABLE TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY FUNDS, THEY WILL START THE INSTALLATION. UNTIL THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED, WE MUST RELY UPON THE EMERGENCY POWER CAPABILITY WE HAVE OUTLINED ABOVE, WHICH IS STILL INADEQUATE TO OUR PRESENT NEEDS.
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